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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Provisional agenda and annotations to the provisional agenda

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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   (a) Investment flows, transfer of technology and competitiveness;

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   (c) Transfer and development of environmentally sound technologies

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3. Other business

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The provisional agenda for the third session was approved by the Ad Hoc Working Group at its 6th (closing) meeting on 17 December 1993.

A proposal for the organization of work of the third session is given in section III below.

Item 2: Interrelationship between investment and technology transfer:
(a) Investment flows, transfer of technology and competitiveness;
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The discussion will continue on the basis of country case studies and other relevant reports. The UNCTAD secretariat will, therefore, circulate the forthcoming country case studies in the form and language in which they will be received.

Pursuant to the Work Programme of the Ad Hoc Working Group, 1/ the secretariat has prepared a note dealing with compilation of legal material (TD/B/WG.5/10). This note focuses on policies and legislation, with particular emphasis on recent legislative developments regarding investment promotion and transfer of technology.

Item 3: Other business

Item 4: Adoption of the final report of the Ad Hoc Working Group to the Trade and Development Board

Paragraph 12 of the terms of reference of the Ad Hoc Working Group states that the Working Group shall submit a final report on the results of its work to the Trade and Development Board.

In response to the request formulated at the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group in December 1993, 2/ the secretariat will be submitting a draft for part one of the final report of the Working Group (TD/B/WG.5/L.6) which will have as an annex a summary of the informal discussions held during the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group.

III. TENTATIVE ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Monday 21 March	10. a.m.	Plenary Opening of the meeting Item 1 and introduction of Item 2. (Interrelationship between investment and technology transfer.) Informal meeting Guest speakers
	15. p.m.	Informal meeting Presentation of country case studies by national experts
Tuesday 22 March	10. a.m.	idem
	15. p.m.	Informal consultations on the draft report of the Working Group
Wednesday 23 March	10. a.m.	idem
	15. p.m.	idem
Thursday 24 March	10. a.m.	idem
	15. p.m.	Preparation/processing of the final report
Friday 25 March	10. a.m.	idem
	15. p.m.	Final plenary Item 3: Other business Item 4: Adoption of the final report of the Ad Hoc Working Group to the Board

Notes

1/ See report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Interrelationship between Investment and Technology Transfer on its first session (TD/B/WG.5/4), annex I, para. 7.

2/ See report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Interrelationship between Investment and Technology Transfer on its second session (TD/B/WG.5/8), paras. 7 and 14 and annex I, paras. 9 and 11.